STATE OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION HELENA, MONTANA

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation will hold a business meeting at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 4, 2002 at its office located at 2535 St. Johns Avenue, Billings, Montana The agenda for that meeting is:

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Approval of minutes of October 2, 2002 business meeting
- 3. Opportunity for public comment
- 4. Bond report
- 5. Miocene Oil & Gas Ltd. bond request
- 6. Financial report
- 7. Coal bed methane update
- 8. Programmatic EIS update status
- 9. 2003 hearing schedule
- 10. Provident Energy
- 11. Default docket
- 12. Staff reports

The Board will conduct public hearings pursuant to Chapter 11 of Title 82 of the Montana Code Annotated on the matters described below beginning at 8:00 a.m., December 5, 2002, in the conference room of the Petroleum Club on the 22nd floor of the Sheraton Hotel in Billings, Montana. For more information or to request accommodation for a disability, please contact Terri Perrigo at (406) 444-6675 or Tom Richmond at (406) 656-0040 as soon as possible before the scheduled hearing.

Docket No. 232-2002

APPLICANT: ROBINSON OIL COMPANY, LLC - TOOLE COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **ROBINSON OIL COMPANY, LLC.** to designate the S ½ of Section 23, T32N-R2E, Toole County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for its proposed Hellinger #1-23 Bow Island Formation gas well to be located approximately 990' FSL and 2094' FEL of said Section 23. Applicant also requests the Board recognize the Bow Island Formation underlying Section 23 as comprising multiple sand bodies that are separate and distinct and provide that, subject to administrative approval, applicant has the authority, at its option, to designate 320-acre permanent spacing units for future wells drilled within Section 23 for each separate and distinct Bow Island Formation sand body.

Docket No. 233-2002

APPLICANT: LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION - RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION** for an order delineating all of Section 31, T25N-R55E, Richland County, Montana, as a field and permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken Formation and authorizing up to two horizontal wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries.

Docket No. 234-2002

APPLICANT: LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION - RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION to** delineate all of Section 11, T24N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, as a field and permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken Formation and authorizing up to two horizontal wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries.

Docket No. 235-2002

APPLICANT: LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION - RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 19 and 30, T24N-R56E, Richland County, Montana, for the drilling of up to two horizontal wells in the Bakken Formation and authorizing said wells to be located anywhere within said temporary spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet to the boundaries thereof.

Docket No. 236-2002

APPLICANT: LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION - RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION** for a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1 and 12, T23N-R56E, Richland County, Montana, for the drilling of up to two horizontal wells in the Bakken Formation and authorizing said wells to be located anywhere within said temporary spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet to the boundaries thereof.

Docket No. 237-2002

APPLICANT: LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION - RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 19 and 30, T25N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, for the drilling of up to two horizontal wells in the Bakken Formation and authorizing said wells to be located anywhere within said temporary spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet to the boundaries thereof.

Docket No 238-2002

APPLICANT: <u>HEADINGTON OIL, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA</u>

Upon the application of **HEADINGTON OIL, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP** for a permit to drill an oil and gas well in the NE¼NW¼ of Section 11, T25N-R53E, Richland County, Montana. This hearing is being held at the request of EOG Resources, Inc., which opposes the granting of such a permit.

Docket No. 239-2002

APPLICANT: <u>HEADINGTON OIL, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA</u>

Upon the application of **HEADINGTON OIL, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP** for a permit to drill an oil and gas well in the NE¼NE¼ of Section 10, T25N-R53E, Richland County, Montana. This application is protested by EOG Resources. Inc.

Docket No. 240-2002

APPLICANT: HEADINGTON OIL, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP - RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **HEADINGTON OIL, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP** for a permit to drill an oil and as well in the NE½NW½ of Section 9, T25N-R53E, Richland County, Montana. This application is protested by EOG Resources, Inc.

Docket No. 241-2002

APPLICANT: J. BURNS BROWN OPERATING COMPANY - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **J. BURNS BROWN OPERATING COMPANY** to drill an Eagle gas test well 2225' FNL and 660' FWL of Section 27, T34N-R14E, Hill County, Montana, as an exception to the Browns Coulee Field rules established by Board Order 7-74.

Docket No. 242-2002

APPLICANT: J. BURNS BROWN OPERATING COMPANY - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **J. BURNS BROWN OPERATING COMPANY** to drill an additional Eagle gas well in the NW¼ of Section 27, T34N-R14E, Hill County, Montana, at a location not less than 660 feet from the exterior boundaries of said spacing unit as an exception to the Brown's Coulee Field rules established by Board Order 7-74.

Docket No. 243-2002

APPLICANT: FIDELITY EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION COMPANY – VALLEY & PHILLIPS COUNTIES, MONTANA

Upon the application of **FIDELITY EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION COMPANY** for an order vacating well location and spacing rules, if presently applicable, with regard to the Niobrara Formation underlying the Saco, East Saco, North Saco, Northeast Nelson, Northwest Nelson, Southeast Nelson and Southwest Nelson Subdivisions of the Bowdoin Dome Unit Area and Hinsdale Shallow Unit area in Valley and Phillips Counties, Montana.

Docket No. 244-2002

APPLICANT: EOG RESOURCES, INC. - RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **EOG RESOURCES**, **INC**. to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 3 and 10, T24N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, for the drilling of an extended length dual-lateral horizontal well in the Bakken Formation and authorizing said well to be located anywhere within said temporary spacing unit but not closer than 660 feet to the boundaries thereof.

Docket No. 245-2002

APPLICANT: MAKOIL, INC. - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of MAKOIL, INC. for a Class II injection well permit to inject produced water from the

Ratcliffe Formation in the North Goose Lake Unit into its Jensen #1 well in the NWNW of Section 34, T36N-R58E, Sheridan County, Montana. Applicant proposes to inject said produced water into the Ratcliffe Formation at a depth of 6750 to 6900 feet. An aquifer exemption will not be requested since the proposed injection zone contains water with greater than 10,000 ppm total dissolved solids.

Docket No. 246-2002

APPLICANT: HOWELL PETROLEUM CORPORATION - CARBON COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **HOWELL PETROLEUM CORPORATION** for an order pooling all Frontier Formation interests in the permanent spacing unit created by Board Order 1-2002 (USA #34-1 well) in a portion of Section 34, T9S-R23E, Elk Basin Field, Carbon County, Montana.

Docket No. 247-2002 and 16-2002 FED

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** for permission to drill up to three additional Eagle Sand Formation gas wells at locations anywhere in Section 4, T29N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic reasons or archeological reasons as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

Docket No. 248-2002 and 17-2002 FED

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill up to three additional Eagle Sand Formation gas wells at locations anywhere in Section 7, T29N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

Docket No. 249-2002 and 18-2002 FED

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill an additional Eagle Sand gas well 1350' FNL and 285' FEL of Section 9, T29N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

Docket No. 250-2002 and 19-2002 FED

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill up to two additional Eagle Sand Formation gas wells anywhere in Section 10, T29N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702. Docket No. 251-2002 and 20-2002 FED

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill two additional Eagle Sand Formation gas wells at

locations anywhere in the N½ of Section 11, T29N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

Docket No. 252-2002 and 21-2002 FED

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill an additional Eagle Sand Formation gas well 300' FNL and 1580' FEL of Section 15, T29N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

Docket No. 253-2002 and 22-2002 FED

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill up to two additional Eagle Sand Formation gas wells at locations anywhere in Section 15, T29N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

Docket No. 254-2002 and 23-2002 FED

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill an additional Eagle Sand Formation gas well 675' FNL and 765' FWL of Section 17, T29N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

Docket No. 255-2002 and 24-2002 FED

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill up to three additional Eagle Sand Formation gas wells anywhere in Section 18, T29N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

Docket No. 256-2002

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill an additional Eagle Sand Formation gas well 2470' FNL and 2420' FWL of Section 34, T32N-R16E, Hill County, Montana, with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to Board Order 10-70 (Tiger Ridge Field).

Docket No. 257-2002

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill an additional Eagle Sand Formation gas well 990' FSL and 990' FEL of Section 25, T32N-R16E, Hill County, Montana, with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to Board Order 10-70 (Tiger Ridge Field).

Docket No. 258-2002

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill up to three additional Eagle Sand Formation gas wells at locations anywhere within Section 2, T26N-R20E, Blaine County, Montana, but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to Board Order 45-76 (Sawtooth Mountain Field).

Docket No. 259-2002

APPLICANT: OCEAN ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** to drill an Eagle Sand Formation gas well 750' FNL and 1100' FWL in Section 3, T31N-R17E, Hill County, Montana, with a 200-foot tolerance for topographic or archeological reasons as an exception to Board Order 11-72 (Tiger Ridge Gas Unit).

Docket No. 260-2002

APPLICANT: CAMWEST II, L.P. - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **CAMWEST II, L.P.** convert its Haugen Mayhew 25-1 well located 660' FNL and 660' FEL of Section 25, T37N-R57E, within the Flat Lake Field in Sheridan County, Montana, to a water injection well.

Docket No. 261-2002

APPLICANT: HIGH PLAINS ENERGY, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **HIGH PLAINS ENERGY, INC.** for a Class II underground injection permit for its Burkhartsmeyer 12-6-33-11 well located in Section 6, T33N-R11E, Hill County, Montana. Applicant proposes to inject produced water from the Sawtooth Formation into the Madison Formation at a depth of 3640 to 3730 feet. An aquifer exemption will be requested as part of the application.

Docket No. 262-2002

APPLICANT: SUMMIT RESOURCES, INC. - BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **SUMMIT RESOURCES**, **INC.** for an order providing for the unit operation of the following described lands in Blaine County, Montana:

Township 34N-Range 20E
Section 7: Lot 4, SE¼SW¼, S½SE¼
Section 18: Lots 1, 2, E½NW¼, NE¼, NW¼SE¼
containing 515.36 acres, more or less.

Applicant owns leasehold interests underlying more than sixty percent of the surface of the unit lands and has formulated a plan of unit operations for the enhanced recovery of oil and gas from that portion of the Bowes Formation thereunder. Applicant requests the Board enter its order providing for unit operation of the lands and formation thereunder as described above and approving the plan of unit operations, vacating all of the existing spacing orders as to the unit area and unitized formation, and declaring the order effective as soon as applicant presents evidence of requisite approval by the cost-bearing and cost-free owners of interests therein.

Docket No. 263-2002

APPLICANT: BASIC EARTH SCIENCE SYSTEMS, INC. - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **BASIC EARTH SCIENCE SYSTEMS**, **INC.** for a Class II injection well permit for its Virgie Guenther 1-8 well (Clear Lake Field) located in the SESE of Section 8, T33N-R58E, Sheridan County,

Montana. Applicant proposes to inject produced water from the Duperow, Ratcliffe, Nisku, Gunton, and Red River Formations into the Dakota Formation at a depth of 4000 to 4900 feet. An aquifer exemption will not be requested since the proposed injection zone contains water with greater than 10,000 ppm total dissolved solids.

Docket No. 264-2002

APPLICANT: ENCORE OPERATING, L.P. - FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **ENCORE OPERATING, L.P.** to create a Silurian/Ordovician permanent horizontal well spacing unit consisting of the S½ of Section 10, T9N-R58E, Fallon County, Montana; designating the Wills Creek 34X-10H well as the permitted well in said permanent spacing unit; and authorizing the drilling of an additional well in said permanent spacing unit if said well is necessary to fully develop and produce the Silurian/Ordovician reserves.

Docket No. 265-2002

APPLICANT: ENCORE OPERATING, L.P. - FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **ENCORE OPERATING, L.P.** for an order pooling all interests in the spacing unit comprised of the S ½ of Section 10, T9N-R58E, Fallon County, Montana, for production of oil and associated gas from the Silurian/Ordovician Formations thereunder.

Docket No. 266-2002

APPLICANT: ENCORE OPERATING, L.P. - DAWSON AND FALLON COUNTIES, MONTANA

Upon the application of **ENCORE OPERATING, L.P.** for appropriate severance tax reductions for the following described enhanced oil recovery projects on the following described wells all located in Dawson and Fallon Counties, Montana:

Well Completion Date	API Well Number	Well Name
		1
09/18/02	25-025-21443-00-00	Lookout Butte Unit 11-10CCH
06/03/02	25-025-05195-00-00	Pennel Unit 24-20BH
06/09/02	25-025-21366-00-00	Cabin Creek Unit 34-31H
06/28/02`	25-025-21094-00-00	Pennel Unit 33X-25H
07/15/02	25-025-05602-00-00	Cabin Creek Unit 21-31H
07/18/02	25-025-05131-00-00	Lookout Butte Unit 42-15CCH
07/24/02	25-025-05012-00-00	Little Beaver Unit 22-30H
08/15/02	25-025-21237-00-00	Little Beaver, East, Unit 33X-08RH
08/26/02	25-025-05070-00-00	Little Beaver, East, Unit 12-34H
07/15/01	25-021-05015-00-00	Pine Unit 42-11DH
10/15/01	25-025-21946-00-00	Pine, S. Pine Unit 42X-26AH
05/01/02	25-025-05188-00-00	Pennel Unit 22-27BH

Docket No. 267-2002

APPLICANT: ENCORE OPERATING, L.P. - FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **ENCORE OPERATING, L.P.** to convert its #34-23 well located in Section 23, T9N-R58E, within Monarch Field in Fallon County, Montana, to a salt water disposal well. Applicant proposes to inject produced water into the Mission Canyon Formation at a depth of approximately 7270 to 7832 feet. Daily injection

volumes are expected to vary between 300 and 1200 barrels of water per day depending on the reservoir conditions and mechanical equipment conditions.

Docket No. 268-2002

APPLICANT: BALKO INC. - PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **BALCO, INC.** to convert its State A #3 well located 220' FNL and 220' FEL of Section 16, T27N-R4W, Pondera Field, Pondera County, Montana. Applicant proposes to inject Madison Limestone produced waters from its State B Battery located in the NENE of said Section 16.

Docket No. 269-2002

APPLICANT: BALKO, INC. - PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **BALKO**, **INC.** convert its State B #5 well located 1100' FNL and 220' FEL of Section 16, T27N-R4W, Pondera Field, Pondera County, Montana, to an injection well to inject produced water in the Madison Formation.

Docket No. 270-2002

APPLICANT: BALKO, INC. - PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **BALKO**, **INC**. to convert its Hirshberg #4 well located 1100' FSL and 220' FWL of Section 14, T27N-R4W, Pondera Field, Pondera County, Montana, to a injection well to inject produced water from its Hirshberg Battery into the Madison Limestone Formation, which is an exempted aguifer.

Docket No. 198-2001 Continued from May 2002

APPLICANT: GRIFFON PETROLEUM, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **GRIFFON PETROLEUM, INC.** for an order amending the North Gildford Gas Field spacing rules for the following described lands in Hill County, Montana:

Township 33N-Range11E

Section 6: Lot 7, SE¼SW¼, S½SE¼ (S½S½) Section 7: Lot 1, NE¼NW¼, N½NE¼ (N½N½) Containing 319.80 acres, more or less

Applicant requests the North Gildford Gas Field rules previously established be amended by delineating the S½S½ of Section 6 and the N½N½ of Section 7 as a permanent spacing unit for its No. 1-7D Sawtooth Formation gas well located 380' FNL and 2330' FEL of said Section 7.

Docket No. 226-2002 Continued from October 2002

APPLICANT: GRIFFON PETROLEUM, INC. - HILL COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **GRIFFON PETROLEUM**, **INC.** to delineate a permanent spacing unit comprised of the following described lands in Hill County, Montana:

Township 33N-Range 11E
Section 6: Lots 6 & 7, E½SW¼, SE¼ (S½)
Section 7: Lots 1 & 2, E½NW¼, NE¼ (N½)
Containing 639.61 acres, more or less.

Applicant requests the S½ of Section 6 and the N½ of Section 7 be delineated as a permanent spacing unit for production of natural gas from the No. 1-7 Eagle Formation well located 380' FNL and 2310' FEL of said Section 7.

Docket No. 220-2002 Continued from October 2002

APPLICANT: PRAIRIE DOG EXPLORATION LLC - LIBERTY COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **PRAIRIE DOG EXPLORATION LLC for** an order delineating the NW¼ and the SW¼ of Section 3, T36N-R4E, Liberty County, Montana as permanent 160-acre spacing units for production of natural gas from all zones, formations or horizons from the surface of the earth to the top of the Kootenai Formation. Applicant further requests that the Board designate the NE¼ and SE¼ of said Section 3 as 160-acre temporary spacing units for the drilling of wells to test for the presence of natural gas from the zones, formations or horizons lying above the top of the Kootenai Formation.

Docket No. 141-2001 Continued from August, 2001

APPLICANT: MILLER EXPLORATION COMPANY - GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **MILLER EXPLORATION COMPANY** to designate the NE¼ of Section 21, the NW¼ of Section 22, and the NW¼ of Section 27, all in T34N-R10W, Glacier County, Montana, as permanent spacing units for gas production from zones and formations from the surface to 950 feet in depth. Applicant requests that the permitted well for each unit be located anywhere within the unit but not closer than 660 feet to the spacing unit boundaries with a 150 foot tolerance for topographic reasons.

Docket No. 180-2000 Continued from December, 2000

APPLICANT: PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION** to designate the NE¼ of Section 15, T35N-R53E, Sheridan County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for production of natural gas from the Bearpaw, Judith River, Eagle, Niobrara and Greenhorn formations and to allow the production of one gas well for each formation in said spacing unit with 660 foot setbacks from the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket No. 181-2000 Continued from December, 2000

APPLICANT: PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION** to designate the SW¼ of Section 14, T35N-R53E, Sheridan County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for production of natural gas from the Bearpaw, Judith River, Eagle, Niobrara and Greenhorn formations and to allow the production of one gas well for each formation in said spacing unit with 660 foot setbacks from the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket No. 182-2000 Continued from December, 2000

APPLICANT: PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION** to designate the SE¼ of Section 33, T36N-R53E, Sheridan County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for the Bearpaw, Judith River, Eagle, Niobrara and Greenhorn formations and to allow the production of one gas well for each formation in said spacing unit with 660 foot setbacks from the exterior boundaries thereof for well location purposes.

Docket No. 6-2001 Continued from February, 2001

APPLICANT: PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION** to designate the SE¼ of Section 16, T35N-R53E, Sheridan County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for the Bearpaw, Judith River, Eagle, Niobrara and Greenhorn formations.

Docket No. 7-2001 Continued from February, 2001

APPLICANT: PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION** to designate the NE¼ of Section 16, T35N-R53E, Sheridan County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for the Bearpaw, Judith River, Eagle, Niobrara and Greenhorn formations.

Docket No. 1-2002 Continued from February 2002

APPLICANT: PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION** to designate the NE¼ of Section 9, T35N-R53E, Sheridan County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for the Bearpaw, Judith River, Eagle and Niobrara Formations and allowing the production of one gas well for each formation within said spacing unit to be located 1320' FNL and 2524' FEL of said Section.

Docket No. 2-2002 Continued from February 2002

APPLICANT: PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION** to designate the NE¼ of Section 4, T35N-R53E, Sheridan County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for the Bearpaw, Judith River, Eagle and Niobrara Formations and to allow the production of one gas well for each formation within said spacing unit, said well to be located 1220' FNL and 1320' FEL of said Section.

Docket No. 3-2002 Continued from February 2002

APPLICANT: PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of PIONEER **ENERGY CORPORATION** to designate the NW¼ of Section 16, T35N-R53E, Sheridan County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for the Bearpaw, Judith River, Eagle and Niobrara Formations and allowing the production of one gas well for each formation within said spacing unit to be located 1320' FNL and 1320' FWL of said Section.

Docket No. 4-2002 Continued from February 2002

APPLICANT: PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION** to designate the NE¼ of Section 33, T36N-R53E, Sheridan County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for the Bearpaw, Judith River, Eagle, Niobrara and Greenhorn Formations and allowing production of one gas well for each formation within said spacing unit located 1320' FNL and 1320' FEL of said Section.

Docket No. 5-2002 Continued from February 2002

APPLICANT: PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION - SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **PIONEER ENERGY CORPORATION** to designate the NE¼ of Section 28, T36N-R53E, Sheridan County, Montana, as a permanent spacing unit for the Bearpaw, Judith River, Eagle, Niobrara and Greenhorn Formations and allowing the production of one gas well for each formation within said spacing unit to be located 1320' FNL and 1320' FEL of said Section.

Docket No. 272-2002 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

RESPONDENT: CLINE PRODUCTION COMPANY - ROSEBUD COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion requiring **CLINE PRODUCTION COMPANY** to appear and show cause, if any it has, why its West Sumatra Unit #4 well located in Section 8, T11N-R32E, Rosebud County, Montana, and its Mesa Federal 30-11R well located in Section 30, T12N-R33E, Rosebud County, Montana, were not brought into compliance within the 180-day regulatory timeframe, and why it should not be fined for failure to return the wells to compliance.

Docket No. 273-2002 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

RESPONDENT: STEPHENS & JOHNSON OPERATING COMPANY - RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion requiring STEPHENS & JOHNSON OPERATING COMPANY to appear and

show cause, if any it has, why it should not be penalized for its failure to properly plug and abandon the K. Dynneson B-1 well located in the SESE of Section 30, T24N-R58E, Richland County, Montana.

Docket No. 274-2002 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

RESPONDENT: STRIPER OIL, INC. - MCCONE COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion requiring **STRIPER OIL, INC.** to appear and show cause, if any it has, why it should not be required to immediately plug and abandon its SWRU TR3 and TR4 wells in the Southwest Richey Field.

DOCKET NO. 142-2000 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE Continued from December, 2000

RESPONDENT: ROCKY MOUNTAIN OPERATING COMPANY - BIG HORN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own order requiring **ROCKY MOUNTAIN OPERATING COMPANY** to appear and show cause why the Board should not act to correct Rocky Mountain Operating Company's yearly spills from its four producing oil wells from the Tensleep Sandstone in Snyder Creek Field, Big Horn County, Montana, and resolve the outstanding fine levied for its past deficiencies in Snyder Creek Field.

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Terri	Perrigo, Executive Secretary